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## King Oscar To Norwegians

### Sovereign Answers Manifesto of Reclatant Council of State.

### Points Out That Constitution Demands That He Act as He Has Done.

### Appeals to Posterity to Judge Between Himself and Norway.

STOCKHOLM, June 13.—King Oscar, in a long and vigorously worded letter to the president of the Norwegian Storting, Mr. Berner, declares that the ascension oath of Norway's King makes it the King's duty not to pass over in silence the pronouncement of the Norwegian council of state that he is a constitutional monarch. The King maintains that he did not overstep his prerogatives under the constitution, and says that consideration for the union imposes on the King the duty of exercising his constitutional rights.

"The King of Norway," His Majesty adds, "must always bear in mind paragraph 1. of the Norwegian constitution, which reads: 'The kingdom of Norway is free, autonomous, independent and indivisible.' I think myself justified in demanding respect for the decision taken by the King of Norway in accordance with the constitution. The powers which the constitution places at the disposal of the Norwegian King in order to enable him to promote the welfare of the country according to his conviction are no greater than those which must be reserved by the monarchy united with Sweden under one King."

### Repudiates Council's Action.

After lengthily repudiating the declaration of the council of state that his veto was unconstitutional because no member of the council regarded himself as being in a position to countersign it, King Oscar proceeded: "One of the fundamental principles of the constitution and a fact that is most important, is that Norway shall be a constitutional monarchy. It is clearly incompatible therewith that the King should sink to the position of a mere tool in the hands of the state council. If the members of the council of state, by refusing to countersign my decisions, could prevent them from having force, the King of Norway would be excluded from participation in the state administration. Such a situation would be as degrading to the monarch as harmful to Norway."

"My endeavor has always been to give Norway that place within the union to which she can rightly lay claim. My royal duty to the union requires me to endeavor to uphold its legal basis, even when by so doing I come into opposition with the Norwegian national feeling."

"The act on which I took the oath and which has regard for the welfare of the United Peoples decided my action in the consular question, but here I was met not only by the refusal of the Norwegian council of state to countersign the decision, but by the resignation of its members. When I declined to accept their resignations, they participated in carrying out my decision would at the same moment be without a fatherland."

"The council, after attempting to violate the constitution, was under the necessity of resigning office and the King of Norway was deprived of councillors. The Storting approved this breach of the constitution, and by a revolutionary proceeding declared that the King of Norway had ceased to reign and that the union of the two kingdoms was dissolved."

"It remains for Sweden and I, acting for the union, to decide whether the attack of Norway on the existing union shall lead to the legal dissolution of the union."

"Let the present generation and posterity judge between me and the Norwegian people."

### RAILROADERS' CONVENTION.

Philadelphia, June 13.—Arrangements were completed today by the executive committee of the American Railway Union for the opening of the convention to be held at this city during the last week of September. The executive committee includes W. D. Ross of Montreal. The committee was in session here today and adjourned after arranging the details of the approaching convention.

### CZAR HONORS AMERICAN.

New York, June 13.—In recognition of his service to science generally, and in particular the cause of ethnological research in particular, the Emperor of Russia has appointed Morris K. Jessup, the president of the natural history museum, a knight of the Imperial Order of St. Stanislaus of the first class. Official news of his appointment together with the insignia of the order has been received by Mr. Jessup from Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador at Washington.

### A JAPANESE ATTACK.

General Linevitch Reports Advance of Enemy's Column.

St. Petersburg, June 13.—General Linevitch, in a despatch to the Emperor dated June 12, says: "The Japanese commenced an attack June 9, advancing with a column composed of infantry, cavalry and mountain guns along the Mandchurian road. Another column, consisting of infantry and artillery, advanced simultaneously along the valley northward of the Mandchurian road, and June 10 occupied the hills on the right bank of the river, northward of the villages of Lian-chou-tchen and Katsaoh."

## THORPE & CO'S PALE DRY GINGER ALE

## SEATTLE PIONEER DEAD.

Prominent Lawyer and Acting Governor Passes Away in New York.

Seattle, June 13.—Judge H. G. Struve, one of the most prominent lawyers in the Northwest, died unexpectedly while in New York today. He was once acting governor of Washington territory, and a pioneer of Seattle. The body will be brought here for burial.

### MITCHELL TO STAND TRIAL.

United States Senator's Case Will Begin at Portland on Tuesday.

Portland, Ore., June 13.—Judge Dehaven today overruled the motion of United States Senator Mitchell for dismissal to indictment against him for acceptance of money to use his influence in government land transactions. His case will begin Tuesday, June 20.

### DYNAMITE FOR POLICE.

Outrage at Everett Damages Officer's Residence.

Everett, June 13.—Early this morning a stick of dynamite exploded under the front porch of Policeman J. O. Williams, damaging the building. It is said to be the sequel of a neighborhood row. G. T. Swab has been arrested on suspicion of having been implicated. No one was hurt.

It was reported on apparently good authority here that transcontinental railroads have offered to compromise with Washington lumbermen on their demand for a forty-cent rate to Missouri river points, allowing it to be within ten cents local of Omaha, provided the lumbermen will give up the forty-cent rate to Minneapolis for fifty-cent one.

## Jubilation in Liberal Camp

### Result of Ontario Bye-elections Causes Great Elation to Ministerialists.

### Increased Imports and Decreased Exports the Features of Trade Returns.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, June 13.—Jubilation prevails in the Liberal camp tonight. Hon. Mr. Hyman's large majority of 392 in London, compared with 24 last November, offsets, in the opinion of ministerialists, the reduction of the great majority in North Oxford from 1,502 to 338. Robert Macpherson was the presiding genius in room No. 16 tonight, and, mounted on a chair, he returned amid the cheers of his friends.

The afternoon sitting of the House was enlivened by discussing the action of the government in changing the form of oath sent out for the use of deputy returning officers in the two bye-elections. After considerable talk, Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick admitted that his department was responsible, but disclaimed any personal knowledge of the matter.

The Kaslo and Lardo-Duncan, Vancouver and Coast-Kootenay, Edmonton, Yukon and Pacific railway bills passed the third reading in the Senate today.

The government has decided to rigidly enforce the law requiring standard baskets and boxes containing fruit.

Senator McMullen will introduce a bill to debar insurance companies from investing in trust companies or trust companies' stock or bonds.

Canada's trade shows a big increase for the past month. The imports show a growth of \$2,245,136 and the exports of \$1,424,338. For eleven months, ending May 31 last, the imports were \$22,274,427, an increase of \$2,524,441, and the exports \$17,523,102, a decrease of \$10,490,907. The aggregate trade of Canada for the eleven months was \$409,197,729, an increase of over two million dollars as compared with the same time last year.

Commander Spain reports that the American tug in Lake Erie was fishing in Canadian waters when run down by the cruiser Vigilant.

The Grand Trunk Pacific mortgage and financial bill passed the railway committee today.

### CHICAGO BRIBERY CHARGES.

Interest in Strike Issues to the Actions for Libel.

Chicago, June 13.—The teamsters' strike proper has almost been lost sight of, the attention of both sides to the controversy being occupied more with the charges of bribery in connection with labor unions in Chicago than with the original issue. Within the next twenty-four hours, it was said tonight, a history of the secret transactions in favor of unions in Chicago for the last four years would be made public and that the information would implicate many labor leaders, who, it is asserted, have accepted bribes to call off strikes.

The teamsters' union is reported to be in a state of confusion. Information is given that Driscoll, formerly secretary of coal team owners' association, who has been the intermediary between the employers and the teamsters union in this city for the last four years, is reported to have been arrested at the corner where he will appear before the grand jury tomorrow morning with documentary evidence showing that several labor leaders have been receiving large sums of money through Driscoll, which, it is charged, he has used to keep the union in a state of confusion.

More Rioting.

In a riot at Weyland avenue and Janes street this afternoon, Frank Harmon was shot in the stomach and fatally wounded by Policeman Jones, a negro. Jones was guarding a lumber truck at the corner where the tragedy occurred. The progress of the wagon was impeded by a crowd of strike sympathizers. Singling out Harmon as the leader of the mob, Jones jumped from the wagon and attempted to arrest him. Harmon resisted and was apparently getting the best of Jones, when the policeman drew his revolver and fired.

### EXPRESS TRAIN WRECKED.

Running at Fifty Miles an Hour, Plunges into Ditch, Killing Three.

Abilene, Ills., June 13.—Three persons were killed and twenty-nine injured in the wreck of an eastbound passenger train on the Southern railway at Golden Gate, Ills., today. The train was a "cotton special," carrying Confederate veterans to the reunion at Louisville, Ky. While running at a speed of fifty miles an hour, the engine and four coaches were overturned and fell to the bottom of the ditch.

The dead: J. J. Uhles, Greenway, Ark.; J. D. Johnson, Bremen, Princeton, Ind.; Otto Gaeht, engineer, Princeton, Ind.

A crowd of thousands gathered to see the seriously injured, all being taken to points in Arkansas.

## Progress of Negotiations

### Russian Government Takes the People into Its Confidence on Situation.

### An Official Statement of the Receipt of Roosevelt's Proposal.

### Speculation as to the Terms Japan Will Likely Insist Upon.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 14.—Instead of publishing the text of its official reply to the message of President Roosevelt regarding the initiation of peace negotiations with Japan, the Russian government decided, with the purpose of taking the public into its confidence regarding the prospect of peace, to issue a statement summarizing the status of negotiations which will appear in the form of a communication in the foreign office gazette today. This statement is expected to add that the President's proposal is a graceful tribute to President Roosevelt's action, expressed in a general way Russia's willingness to negotiate without entering into particulars which cannot be considered to be definitely determined until the receipt of the Japanese reply. The Russian government under the circumstances has deemed it best to leave to the Washington government the publication of the Russian note.

Following is the text of the communication: The President of the United States instructed his ambassador to the imperial court to request a private audience in order to convey directly to the Emperor assurances of the unfailing friendship of the United States for Russia, and to express President Roosevelt's personal desire to contribute as much as possible in the interests of the whole world toward the cessation of hostilities in the Far East. The ambassador was instructed to add that the President was making simultaneous overtures to the Japanese government.

"The Emperor was pleased to receive the American ambassador on June 7 and gave benevolent attention to President Roosevelt's initial message. He had never met an entirely sympathetic reception on the part of the friendly powers."

Acceptable to Both Nations.

"Russia being convinced that Japan was equally disposed to accept President Roosevelt's proposal, which was transmitted through the intermediary of the Japanese minister, the Emperor at St. Petersburg and Tokyo to the imperial as well as the Japanese government, received favorably the official communication of the ambassador and notification to this effect was published in Washington."

In fact, the communication of the foreign minister, acting under the Emperor's orders, informed the American ambassador in a note, dated June 12, that the Emperor, deeply sensible of the sentiments expressed by President Roosevelt, was pleased to see therein a fresh mark of traditional friendship uniting Russia and American and precious proof that President Roosevelt was in complete accord with the views which the Emperor held a general sentiment so essential to the good progress of the whole of mankind. As for an eventual meeting of Russian-Japanese plenipotentiaries charged with ascertaining how far it would be possible for the two powers to elaborate conditions of peace, the imperial government could have no objection in principle to such an attempt if the Japanese government expressed a desire thereto."

The fact that the Japanese have not yet communicated with Russia as to time and place and the number of plenipotentiaries is not considered strange, inasmuch as the text of the Russian reply sent to Washington could not have arrived at Tokyo, considering the difference in time.

### Japan's Probable Terms.

Japan's terms continue to be a matter for animated speculation. A well-informed diplomat, who says he knew the Japanese terms before the battle of Mukden, considers them to be very moderate, and he believes that even if they will be found not to be unduly hard.

Private advices received from a Russian source at Shanghai say it is certain that Japan will demand the surrender of Russian ships in East Asia and that they will be another manner of setting indemnity.

Newspapers supposed to have semi-official inspiration continue to speak dubiously of the results, but it is noticeable that the official and popular papers like the Gazette plainly advise the people to reconcile themselves to defeat and peace. The paper named says: "There is no disgrace, and will not prevent development. Look at France. We have survived previous misfortunes. We were beaten many times by Poland and Lithuania, but now they are ours." The Listok, another popular paper, says a glowing tribute to President Roosevelt, "the president of the second peace." With peace in sight, however, by a strange perversity, some of those who were loudest in its favor when it was being announced, are now saying that they have changed their attitude, finding it less attractive than when it was opposed by the government.

### IRVING CAUSES ENTHUSIASM.

Drury Lane Theatre Crowded With Ardent Admirers.

London, June 13.—The closing nights of Sir Henry Irving's London season have been characterized by remarkable enthusiasm, commencing last evening, in scenes which recalled the opening performance.

The Drury Lane theatre was crowded in every part. The audience seemed insatiable, and Irving, responding to prolonged calls, made a speech, in which he stated that he would visit America next year.

After the performance Sir Henry was presented with an address and a massive silver loving cup, the gift of the National Association of Theatrical and Musical Employees of London and the United Kingdom.

### BRITISH WARSHIPS RECALLED.

The China Squadron Will Consist of Cruisers Only.

London, June 13.—The decision of the government, which has been announced in telegrams from Hongkong, to send home the battleships from China, the British China squadron heretofore to consist entirely of cruisers, is interpreted as the outcome of the destruction of the Russian fleet, and causes much satisfaction, as it will permit Great Britain to follow the example of Germany and concentrate her naval strength to a greater extent in home waters.

This change gives the admiralty seven additional battleships for European waters.

The governor of Hongkong, according to despatches received, has announced that his proclamation against the exportation of coal will not be enforced until further notice.

## PATRICK MUST HANG.

New York Court Declines to Interfere in Millionaire Murder Case.

### A CANADIAN INVASION.

Permission Granted 53rd Regiment to Visit United States.

Augusta, Me., June 13.—Responding to a request from Assistant United States Secretary of State Loomis at Washington, Governor William T. Cobb today granted permission to the 53rd Canadian regiment to enter this state in order that it may participate in a military carnival at Portland, Me.

TO FORTIFY KIAOCHOU.

Germany Gives Order to Erect Forts in Far East.

Berlin, June 13.—An imperial order to fortify Kiaochow bay, the German concession in the southern part of the Shantung peninsula, has been issued. The work will be done under the supervision of the governor of the protectorate, Rear Admiral Truppel, and five engineers and fortification officers detailed for this purpose. The extent of the fortifications and the amount to be spent on them has not been disclosed. It is probable that the work now contemplated is only the beginning of an extensive plan.

## Assassination of Grecian Premier

### Popular First Minister Is the Victim of a Gambler's Dagger.

### Angry Crowd Attempted to Lynch the Cold-blooded Murderer.

Athens, June 13.—Theodore P. Delyannis, the popular premier of Greece, was stabbed and mortally wounded by a professional gambler named Gherakaris at the main entrance of the chamber of deputies at 5 p. m. today. The premier died within three hours.

The assassin, who was immediately arrested, said he committed the deed in revenge for the stringent measures taken by Premier Delyannis against the gambling houses, all of which were recently closed.

The premier arrived at the entrance of the chamber of deputies in a carriage. Gherakaris approached, saluted the premier and opened the carriage door. The premier was in the act of thanking Gherakaris for his courtesy, when the gambler plunged a long dagger into Mr. Delyannis' abdomen. The murderer was immediately overpowered by the attendants. Medical assistance was quickly secured and the wounded statesman was taken to a Red Cross station, where an operation was performed in an effort to stop the internal hemorrhages. This was unsuccessful and Premier Delyannis died at 7:30 o'clock.

The news spread quickly and it would be impossible to describe the popular evidences of sorrow or the anger of the crowd, which attempted to lynch the assassin, being prevented by the gendarmes, who rushed with him from the building to prison.

It is estimated that twenty thousand persons followed the body of the premier from the Red Cross station to his late residence. Members of the cabinet and the chamber of deputies were among the crowd, many of whom were weeping. The cabinet met this evening at the residence of the president of the chamber, and it was decided that the body should lie in state in the chamber before interment.

King George, who is at Tatoi, was informed of the assassination, and announced that he would at once return to Athens.

Investigation by the police shows that Gherakaris was recently liberated from prison, having been sentenced to eighteen years for the murder of his wife.

### JOCKEY KILLED IN MIX-UP.

St. Louis, June 13.—Jockey Hector, on Wesley, was killed, and Jockey Morris, on Dr. Clark, was seriously injured, in a mix-up during the steeplechase at the American Jockey Club (Union park) today, and when starting the half mile pole, and when passing the eighth fence, Hector was dead. Neither horse was injured.

### THE MOROCCAN SITUATION.

Great Britain Declines to Take Part in Conference Without France.

London, June 13.—Great Britain, one of the powers signatory of the Madrid convention of 1890, in answer to the request of the Sultan of Morocco to join in conference for the consideration of the Moroccan question, has answered that its preference is not to take any part in the conference unless such action would be satisfactory to France.

The United States has taken the same stand, the other powers being in accord with France that such a conference would not be the best way of promoting urgent reforms in Morocco.

### MR. HAWTHORNTWAITE'S IDEA.

Exchange of Communications With the Government.

Namaino, June 13.—Mr. Hawthornthwaite stated this afternoon that he had received communications from Premier McBride in regard to his suggestion that a commission be appointed to deal with the matter of settling the coal mine trouble here.

Mr. McBride pointed out that such a commission would be obliged to ascertain whether the Western Fuel Co. has been placed at any real disadvantage by the act or not. Mr. Hawthornthwaite pointed out that the miners have been locked out of No. 1 mine for the past twelve days on the ground that the company is placed at a distinct disadvantage by the act.

The premier in reply stated that no representation of these facts has been made to the government, and suggests that Mr. Hawthornthwaite should go to Victoria tomorrow morning to discuss the matter fully with the government, and ascertain if it is possible to make some settlement that will not be injurious to either the company or the miners.

## Dominion News Notes

### Gaynor and Greene Case Will go Before the Supreme Court.

### Presbyterian General Assembly Receive Greetings From Sister Churches.

### Lightning Strikes a Winnipeg Warehouse Which Is Destroyed.

MONTREAL, June 13.—Chas. Casgrain this morning won his fight on behalf of Gaynor and Greene for an appeal to the Supreme court on the question of Judge Lafontaine's order to hear the famous case, Mr. Justice Hall ruled that according to the Superior court act, Mr. Casgrain was well within his rights in demanding the appeal, and therefore granted it. This will probably delay the final stages of the case until the fall, as the Supreme court will not resume its sessions until October. In the meantime an application to free the fugitives of bail will probably be made by Mr. Casgrain, and fought out before the judges of the court of King's Bench.

### Alien Labor Law Again.

A charge of breach of the alien labor law is pending in the recorder's court and is down for hearing on June 20. The information is laid by Pierre Robert, a merchant at Verdun, who alleges the employment at Buffalo, N. Y., by the Montreal harbor commissioners of two certain men between April and August of last year, thereby becoming liable to a penalty of \$50 or not exceeding \$100 in terms of the alien act. The two men are Thomas Barry, said to have been engaged in April, 1904, and Patrick Quilman, in August of the same year.

### Presbyterian General Assembly.

Kingston, June 13.—The Presbyterian general assembly yesterday listened to fraternal greetings from the Methodist church union, and a united front against evil were things suggested by delegates, who received a warm welcome. Delegates from the Church of Scotland also received a warm welcome. They will speak tonight. At this morning's session standing committees were appointed, the convenors of which are practically the same as last year. The assembly may be able to conclude business on Wednesday night or Thursday morning at the latest. The request of the Manitoba and Northwest synods to have the church open an office in Winnipeg was referred to a committee. The assembly decided the appointment of Rev. J. C. Robertson, of Milltown, N. B., as general secretary of Sunday schools, at a salary of \$1500, besides office and traveling expenses. Rev. Mr. MacBeth of Regina gave notice of a motion protesting against the establishment of separate schools in any part of the province, unless imperatively demanded by Confederation compact, by terms of the constitution, or by legislative action of the people, a richly deserved concern.

### Dropped Dead at Funeral.

Quebec, June 13.—Michel Cote, aged about 40 years, dropped dead in St. Jean Baptiste church yesterday while attending a funeral.

### Lightning Causes Large Loss.

Winnipeg, June 13.—During a severe thunderstorm this evening the Scott's Furniture Co.'s building, one of Winnipeg's best and newest warehouses, was struck by lightning. The building was fired in a blazing mass, and in thirty minutes was a total loss. The contents were a total loss and the building will probably have to be torn down. The loss is \$75,000 with \$40,000 insurance.

### Commercial Traveler's Death.

Early this morning James Prince Powell, a commercial traveler from Vancouver, died at the General hospital here after three weeks' illness. Mrs. Powell was with him. The funeral took place this afternoon to Elmwood cemetery.

### WOMAN AERONAUT TUMBLES.

San Jose, Cal., June 13.—Mrs. Fred Hamilton, a woman aeronaut, met with a serious accident at Agriculture Park where she was giving an exhibition. She was hurled from a height of about 80 feet, the ropes becoming entangled in the rigging. The woman turned a complete somersault, and hit the ground heavily, sustaining serious injuries.

### HUNGARIAN CABINET.

Vienna, June 13.—The Hungarian cabinet, according to the Neue Freie Presse, will be composed as follows: Gen. Bar on Fejervary, Premier and Minister of Finance; M. Kristofy, Minister of the Interior; M. Votawcs, Minister of Commerce; M. Andor Gacsar, Minister of Agriculture; M. George Lakatos, Minister of Public Instruction; M. Lanyi, Minister of National Defense; M. Kovacevic, Minister for Croatia, Slavonia and Dalmatia.

### AMERICAN GUNNERY.

At Thousand Yards Gunners of Kentucky Riddle Target.

New York, June 13.—All records for shooting with five-inch guns were broken by four gunners of the first-class battleship Kentucky on the northern drilling grounds, twenty miles outside Sandy Hook, last Thursday. One of the four, after shooting a minute, hit the target thirteen times, the second gunner first thirteen times per minute and hit the target each time. Two other men had each twelve hits out of thirteen shots a minute. The range was 1,000 yards and the target was twenty-one feet by seventeen feet consisting of a painted muslin screen and floated on a raft.

### INSTRUCTIONS TO CONSULS.

Swedish Minister Warns Representatives of Recognizing Norway.

Stockholm, June 13.—Foreign Minister Gyldenstolpe has sent the following circular to all the Swedish-Norwegian consuls: "After the Norwegian Storting has established a provisional government for Norway and in connection therewith with the union with Sweden dissolved, the Swedish government decided not to recognize said provisional government. You are therefore instructed to continue the exercise of the functions constitutionally devolving on you as Swedish as well as Norwegian consuls, with the restriction that you must not enter into negotiations with the illegal Norwegian government or obey its orders. In all emergencies you must apply to the ministry of foreign affairs for instructions."



### Through Gorge Service

On and after Thursday, June 15, a direct service will be given to the Gorge. Cars leave Yates Street 6:10 and from the Gorge at 6:30 a. m., and every twenty minutes thereafter.

### Change In Esquimalt Service

On and after Thursday, June 15, a twenty-minute service will be given on Esquimalt route. Cars will leave Yates Street at 6 a. m. and Esquimalt at 6:20 a. m., and every twenty minutes thereafter.

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### Melrose Nursery Rhyme.

No. 9.  
OLD MOTHER HUBBARD.

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Went to the cupboard  
To get her poor dog a tart;  
But when she got there  
The cupboard seemed bare,  
Which broke poor doggie's heart.

Old Mother Hubbard  
Painted her cupboard  
With Melrose Snow White Enamel;  
Which made it so bright  
She cried with delight  
"I see tarts enough for a camel!"

Old Mother Hubbard  
Is pleased with her cupboard;  
The food is free from all taint;  
Be it beef, boiled or rare,  
Or oysters, or hare;  
For she used our Enameling Paint.

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### Fear Hitch in Peace Overtures

Too Sanguine Advocates of Negotiations Experience a Check.

An Investigation Reveals no Grounds for Pessimistic Rumor.

Washington, June 14.—A note of pessimism was discernible today in the tone of discussion for negotiations for peace in the Far East. So far as it is ascertainable at this time no permanent ground exists for the view that negotiations are not progressing favorably. In both governmental and diplomatic quarters it is stated that until the two belligerents are brought together on a common basis of understanding the possibility of a hitch must be taken into account.

Among members of the diplomatic corps, the formal response of the Russian government to President Roosevelt's appeal for a cessation of hostilities was received with keen interest. It was made the subject of a conference at the White House between the President and Minister Takahira. The details of the conference were not disclosed tonight, but the negotiations were proceeding smoothly in other diplomatic quarters. It was suggested that possibly a too optimistic view of the situation generally was being taken. This idea, repeated with a call of M. Jussierand, the French ambassador, at the White House tonight, led to the rumor extensively circulated that something akin to a hitch in the peace proceedings actually occurred.

M. Jussierand returned tonight from West Point, where he went to deliver an address. At his embassy he found a note from the President, requesting him to call at the White House. He reached the President's house at 7:10 p. m. and remained until 11 o'clock. To a representative of the Associated Press, Ambassador Jussierand, after the conference, said it would be disastrous to the President to discuss for publication the nature of his interview.

**Question of a Hitch.**

As to the question of a hitch having occurred in the peace negotiations, M. Jussierand said he had heard of none, adding that the question of peace was not the principal subject of conversation at the conference. So far as he was aware, he said, there had been no change in the favorable status of the negotiations. When it was suggested that the Moroccan question might have been under consideration, he declined either to affirm or deny the accuracy of the suggestion.

Notwithstanding the lateness of the hour of Ambassador Jussierand's departure from the White House, information concerning his conference with the President excited lively interest among members of the diplomatic corps.

Direct communication between St. Petersburg and Tokyo not yet being established, the White House is yet the medium for communication between the two capitals. There is adequate accuracy for the statement that there is no actual hitch in the preliminaries.

### A HOT WEATHER REMEDY.

During the hottest weather you can take Angier's Eucalypti without fear of disturbing the stomach. It aids digestion both in the stomach and intestines, maintains nutrition and preserves a germ-free condition of the system. It is wonderfully good for acute and chronic diarrhoea, dysentery and children's complaints.

**ARCHBISHOP ORTH HAS AUDIENCE.**

Rome, June 13.—The Pope today received in private audience the Most Rev. Bertram Orth, archbishop of Vancouver, who presented the report of his mission. The pontiff showed great interest in the progress of British Columbia.

**ESCAPED AN OPERATION.**

"I had itching piles for six years, and the doctors told me there was no cure for me unless an operation. Dr. Chase's Ointment completely cured me in one week. As that was six months ago, and there has been no return of the old trouble, I believe that the cure is a permanent one."—Mr. J. Mawer, Rodan, Man.

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#### Returned Surveyor Brings Favorable Report of the District.

#### No Part of the Province Has a Better Future in His Opinion.

H. B. Warren, provincial land surveyor, of Vancouver, has just returned from a six months' sojourn in the Bulkley valley district, during which time he acquired much valuable and useful information about the country. He went into the Bulkley country in August last, and spent the subsequent months in surveying some large coal areas and other lands, also the townships of Aldermere, in the centre of the Bulkley valley, where the post office, hotel and store are now located. This township is situated on the Telkwa river, and close to the coal areas, which latter are controlled by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway and Eastern capital. The area of these coal lands is unlimited. Mr. Warren states, and the coal itself is of good quality and excellent for domestic and general use. The country is settling up rapidly; about fifty persons wintered there, and a large number of settlers have gone in this spring. As a result of this influx, a large proportion of the best available timbered and farming lands have already been taken up, but men who have prospected the country as thoroughly as Mr. Warren are still able to indicate some excellent tracts as yet unappropriated. Speaking generally, Mr. Warren states that the climate last winter was almost perfect. Personally he was able to prosecute his surveying work without a day's interruption from weather conditions. The snowfall did not exceed 18 inches on the flat. It was not in evidence till Christmas, and had evaporated by the middle of April, and stock was able to get out on the range in fine condition, although having been fed but little during the winter. The valley is so favorable a place to winter stock that nearly all the horses engaged in packing in the surrounding country and at Hazelton, etc., are sent there to winter.

The agricultural prospects are very good, the samples of both roots and grain grown there last year being excellent, and there is very little danger of early frosts doing damage. Wild hay is in abundance in some places standing 12 feet high. Potatoes have been plentiful. The water also is abundant, pure and free from alkali.

The reports of the mineral wealth of the district are also exceedingly important. In the Bulkley valley, which is located last fall, some of the copper ores showing 75 per cent. pure copper, and gold ores assaying as high as \$14 to the ton. The properties found so far are within a short distance of the Bulkley valley, and the mines and district are developed. At present the only means of getting into the valley is by steamer and trail. Mr. Warren traveled via Port Essington and Hazelton, and he says he can go by far the best route. The packing facilities are good, and the packers charge only three cents per pound.

Speaking generally of the country, he remarked that no part of British Columbia has a better prospect before it than the Bulkley valley, and men with experience in pioneer work and ranching should do well there. There is, of course, no immediate market or trade outlet, but with the advent of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway and the opening up of the mineral lands, the market for cattle, grain and all kinds of produce should become exceedingly good within the next few years.

### BELLA COOLA DISTRICT.

Bella Coola, B. C., June 2.—(Special)—Bella Coola valley is about 350 miles from Victoria by steamer and trail, and is situated at the head of Bulkley channel, and the distance from the steamboat landing to the head of the valley is 75 miles by wagon road and trail. This valley is one of the easiest and most level passes through the Coast range, and is not far from the swift current of the Bella Coola river, which the wagon road and trail follow closely, one would not realize that there was any grade until the side is reached, 55 miles from the river. The trail leaves the valley and climbs about a mile up to the first bench of the Interior Plateau. A few miles further on the trail passes along the edge of the precipice. Below one can gaze down into the valley below, with the waters of the Bella Coola winding along from one side to the other. Off to the south a short distance, the waters of a small lake glisten in a basin of the hills and back to the westward the rugged white peaks of the Coast range rise upward. The scenery, the length of the valley is grand beyond description. Several glaciers can be seen from the trail, and in the upper part of the valley goats may be seen on the cliffs, almost all times of the day. In some places the trail is a mere path, and in others a large bull caribou was standing in the middle of the first large meadow that I came to on my last trip. A few miles beyond I spied a huge black bear on the opposite side of a wide meadow. A few minutes afterward I was leaving a splash of blood on the brush and along the ground, but the bullet evidently did not touch a vital spot, for I did not get him. Two or three miles beyond Spencer lake, the head of the salmon river, the trail comes to the headwaters of the Chehalis. Forty-five miles further on we reach the beautiful valley of the Chilcotin, and find a wagon road once more. Cattle are scattered over the bunchgrass hills, and a goodly number of horses are grazing. I have been over all of the ground mentioned and will say that for an outlet to the Coast or from the south to the north the grades and facilities for railroad via the Chilcotin valley and Chehalis and over the hills mentioned ground are of the very best and no doubt will be utilized in the near future.

Murder Was Done.—L. G. Blasdel, head of Joint William G. Blasdel, whose sudden disappearance from the revenue cutter Rush while in San Francisco bay last Tuesday morning remains a mystery, thinks that the missing man was murdered, according to a statement credited to him by the San Francisco Bulletin. Blasdel says that there is no reason, so far as he can see, which would have prompted his brother to take his own life. Blasdel's body has not been found, and a special board has been convened to try and solve the mystery of the officer's death. It is believed that it is either a case of murder or suicide as there is no reason known which would lead to the suspicion that the man had deserted. He was a powerful swimmer, a fact which is considered to do away with the supposition that he fell overboard and was then drowned. The night on which he disappeared was a quiet one, and it is claimed that any outcry or unusual noise would have been heard by the men of the watch.

### JUMPED UNDER TRAIN.

Newspaper Pressman Who Once Lived Here Commits Suicide.

P. J. Ford, a newspaper pressman, who lived in Victoria for several months, a fugitive from the San Francisco police, three years ago, committed suicide on Sunday night by throwing himself in front of a Northern Pacific train bound from Tacoma to Portland. In a family row three years ago Ford shot a man at a San Francisco hotel, and cut his own throat. All three recovered and Ford jumped his bail bonds and came to Victoria. Here husband and wife were reconciled, and after living in Victoria for six or seven months, Ford went to Seattle, where he was employed as pressman by the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, and later joined the Tacoma Daily News. While there he was recognized and left at once for the Eastern States, where he was employed by the Hoe company, and went to France for them, operating one of the Hoe presses at Paris. From France he went to South America for the Hoe company and returned to the Pacific slope but a short time ago. Domestic troubles and worries incidental to dodging the San Francisco police are believed to have broken his mind, and this, with his failure to secure steady employment, probably led to his rash act.

### With the Militia

#### At Fort Macaulay

Soldiers of Fifth Regiment C. A. Working Hard to Make Themselves Proficient.

Band Concert Will be Held Tonight—Camp Sports Arranged for Saturday.

The members of the Fifth Regiment, C. A., have settled down to hard work at the regimental camp on Macaulay plains. Nightly three companies are to be seen at work on the 6-inch guns in Fort Macaulay, and two other companies are drilling with the 13-pounder field guns in the open field. The signallers are busy; in fact, every branch of the regiment's work is being taken up with the intention of teaching the men as much as possible of the military work while they are in camp. The men have been commissioned and guards are placed at night; the camp is that of a regiment as though on active service. The reveille sounds daily at 5 a. m., and there is drill again after breakfast, before the men go to their duties in the city, to return to work again at nightfall.

In connection with the camp sports, which are scheduled to take place at Macaulay point on Saturday next, the preliminary heats in the tug-of-war are being pulled off each evening. Last evening No. 1 company pulled against No. 4 company, and No. 3 company against No. 6 company. This evening No. 5 company pulls against the band and other trials will take place on Thursday evening, so that the final pull will be for the general final meeting of camp sports on Saturday.

Improved conditions in catering and in weather indications are working for the greater harmony and comfort of the camp. Monday was a great improvement over Sunday, a fact that will be appreciated most by those who had experience of Sunday's discomfort.

Gun teams are chosen and at work with promise of success. Signalling is being vigorously pushed, though the keen night air at Macaulay point militates against the comfort of the men who are exposed to the aggressive atmosphere and unyielding rocks that characterize the windiest spot in the neighborhood.

A band concert will be held this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock, when the following programme will be rendered:

Overture—"Crown Diamonds".....Auber  
Selection—"Jolly Musketiers".....Edwards  
Concert Value—"Land of My Dreams".....Herman  
(a) Spanish Dance—"Mannana".....Tobani  
(b) Mazurka—"The Cygnet".....Gunn  
Intermission.  
Concert Value—"Invitation to the Dance".....Weber  
(a) Serenade.....Tittle  
(b) Idylle—"Hearts and Flowers".....Tobani  
March—"The Dandy Fifth".....Schroeder  
"God Save the King".....E. PERDNER  
Bandmaster.

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Friends may leave flowers at Castle Hall, corner Douglas and Pandora streets, Dr. Hummer's office, 43 Government street, and Army & Navy clothing store, 117 Government street.

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## VICTORIANS AT THE PORTLAND FAIR.

The Daily Colonist is on sale at Rich's News Stands in all Exhibit Buildings, and on the grounds also at the "American Inn" News Stand.

## MR. MCINNES' RESIGNATION.

As our readers are aware, the Colonist has always been very favorably disposed to Mr. W. W. B. McInnes, and welcomed his appointment to the honorable position of Commissioner of the Yukon. Therefore, it will be readily understood that his remarks made in connection with his resignation are not to be construed as in any way a reflection upon that gentleman. It was, however, suggested—not on his authority as far as we know—that there was no necessity for the immediate resignation of his seat in the Legislature, and that, indeed he might even continue to sit in that body. The fact that there is no law against such a procedure does not alter the ethical aspect of his acting in the suggested dual capacity. The law, properly regarded, is only the crystallization of a right principle; or, in other words, gives effect to a line of conduct that ought to be observed, even in the absence of any law. All laws, unfortunately, are not based on such ethical considerations, but, ideally considered, should be. The law abolishing dual representation was passed, because of the manifest anomalies arising out of it. Mr. McInnes, as Commissioner of the Yukon, is out of politics for the time being as much as though he had been Lieutenant-Governor of one of the other Provinces. His whole time and duty belong to the Yukon, and to the Government which appointed him. If it would be "unusual" and "extraordinary" for him in that position to sit in the Legislature, it would also be "unusual" and "extraordinary" for him to continue to represent the constituency of Alberni. There is absolutely no distinction in principle between sitting in the House and retaining his position as a member a day longer than is necessary. To take advantage of the absence of a specific enactment to secure a political advantage for his party is indefensible, and we are surprised that any Liberal should advocate such an abuse of position as it would involve. That is to say, it would be surprising if we did not know that the name Liberal and the principles for which it was professed to stand are no longer synonymous, the name being the only survival of what was long ago abandoned with office.

## HIS HONOR THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, it is understood, is making preparations to leave the Province at an early date, in anticipation of a successor being appointed upon the expiry of his term of office. No indication has yet been received from Ottawa of the intentions of the Government in respect to the matter, and it may be assumed that no decision has yet been reached. The names of a number of men more or less prominent in public life have been mentioned in connection with the position; and the difficulties of the Government in the circumstances are obvious. We see no reason why there should be any special hurry to make an appointment. The present occupant has given such general satisfaction that the extension of his term of office would be warmly approved in British Columbia. His successor, whoever he may be, will find it difficult to fill Sir Henri's shoes with the same degree of acceptability.

Regarding the qualifications for the Lieutenant-Governorship of a Province, and especially of a Province like British Columbia, there is a great deal of misapprehension. The common idea is that the occupant of Government House is more or less of a figurehead, whose duty it is to affix his signature to a certain number of state documents and to do some pleasant entertaining when he feels in the humor. On the contrary, however, the qualifications for the position are of an exceptional character, and while the strictly official duties are not in themselves onerous, the general requirements are varied and important. Politically, under normal conditions, the Lieutenant-Governor simply registers the will of his advisers; but in the case of crises, such as we have witnessed in this Province, His Honor is called upon to use rare tact and judgment. The exercise of prerogative in such cases is a matter of extreme delicacy. Constitutionally, the representative of the Crown becomes supreme, and his decisions, may have important results. Every time he is called upon to intervene he is creating a precedent to the extent in which the situation differs from anything that has gone before.

Socially, his functions are important, and particularly so in British Columbia, which is visited by distinguished travelers and representatives of many countries. The social duties devolving

upon the representative of His Majesty at this outpost of the Dominion and the Empire are most responsible.

Hence the importance, both constitutionally and socially, in addition to political reasons, which always are to be considered under party government, of a judicious and careful selection being made. From many points of view the incumbency of Sir Henri Joly has been extremely satisfactory, and the feeling is that, rather than that the Government, in the absence of a suitable man to immediately succeed him, should be hurried into making a selection, he should be continued in office. He has made himself deservedly popular, and his influence, while not obtrusive, has been at all times socially, morally and politically healthful. Sir Henri belongs to a good old school, whose example and precept are becoming only too rare. We believe that almost unanimously the people of British Columbia would petition for his retention, and in acquiescing in this sentiment the Government at Ottawa would be showing their appreciation of valuable service as well as confirming the wisdom of his selection in the first instance.

## THE BYE-ELECTIONS.

The results in the bye-elections yesterday were favorable to the Government at Ottawa. They do not make the arguments of the opposition to the autonomy bills any less forcible or effective; but they give the Government full warrant to proceed with the legislation as they have begun. The Liberal-Conservatives faced the issue at two bye-elections in Ontario where the sentiment against separate schools as proposed was supposed to be the strongest, and they have failed to obtain a verdict in their favor. There can be no question about the logical effect of it. The issue was clear-cut.

While, however, the Conservative candidates have been beaten, the results are far from discouraging. In London Mr. Lyman was, it is true, elected by a considerably increased majority; but he went back to his constituency in a bye-election as a cabinet minister, a member of a government with a very large following. As we have previously pointed out, too, there is a considerable number of Catholic voters in London, and the issue being one in which the question of separate schools is affected, their support would naturally be entirely lost to the Conservatives. That number was sufficient to offset a large defection from the Government on account of its school policy. Nevertheless, the voice of the people is expressed in numbers. In North Oxford, as we predicted, where the prestige of a cabinet minister was entirely absent, there was a largely reduced majority. That result in a bye-election is to that extent a condemnation of the Government policy. North Oxford is a constituency, where, as one gentleman expressed it, they do not breed Conservatives. In both elections the Government brought every influence in its power to bear on the result, which was regarded as fateful in respect to the policy before the electors.

On the whole, however, the Government will feel confirmed in its position, and we have no doubt the opposition in Parliament will accept the verdict as an instruction in dealing further with the educational clauses. A vigorous protest having been made against the proposed legislation, there can be no occasion for pursuing a policy of factions or opposition. The whole question now resolves itself into one of constitutionality, and to determine that resort must be had to the courts, and the sooner they have an opportunity to decide the better.

## A USEFUL SUGGESTION.

A suggestion having been made in the Ashcroft Journal that the Government telegraph line might be utilized as a telephone line, expressions of opinion are being received by the editor from dwellers along the Cariboo Road. So far, the suggestion is received with favor. The telegraph line is, and always has been, owned by the Government, and, therefore, no change of ownership is involved. It is all a question of whether the interests of the community already served by the telegraph system would not be better served by a telephone system, and whether the change would be justified on the score of expense. Needless to say the line does not pay now, and the probability of being more remunerative for telephone purposes would at least be increased. This is the opinion of a "Cariboo Rancher" in the Journal. He says:

"True, we have the telegraph, but it is of very little practical benefit to those living, say, ten, fifteen or even twenty miles away from the nearest office, consequently over 50 per cent. of the people living along the road do not use the telegraph perhaps once a year and so contribute little or nothing towards the support of the line, whereas if a telephone service was established there would be ready and willing to pay a reasonable monthly subscription."

"I have heard the matter discussed before as to the advisability of turning the telegraph line into a telephone line and some objected on the ground that a telephone was not private enough for business purposes. But that objection is easily overcome. We would still have the telegraph. Even supposing that the Government decided to use the 'local' wire for the telephone service, we still have the Yukon line as far as Quesnel, which, I think, is sufficient to meet all requirements for present use. From Quesnel to Barkerville is only 60 miles, and if thought best another wire could be put in there at very little cost."

The manager of the Lightning Creek Gold Gravel Company, who, from a business point of view, might be regarded as having more weight than a rancher, from the fact that the company have greater occasion to use the line, is quite pleased with the idea, and he writes to say:

"We notice in our issue of May 20 suggestion with reference to a telephone line to Barkerville. This is a particularly sensible suggestion and we would be willing to do our share in the premises."

situation at Ottawa and some to the situation in Nelson.

Admiral Togo, in his modest way, attributes his success "to the brilliant virtue of Your Majesty (the Mikado) and to the protection of the spirits of Your Imperial ancestors, and not to the actions of human beings." And yet, remarks the Winnipeg Tribune, we were told not long ago that Togo was a Presbyterian.

The head of the new railway department at McGill University comes from the United States. The Montreal Gazette, which is deadly opposed to the alien law, advises the university authorities to keep his whereabouts a secret as the Laurier Government may think him a danger to the country and send a policeman down to run him out.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

[The Editor does not hold himself responsible for views expressed by correspondents.]

## THE OLD MEN'S HOME.

Sir—In an issue of your paper last week a letter written by W. T. Andrews regarding the Old Men's Home appeared. I am surprised that it was so far from endorsing his letter, for I believe a great many, if not the majority, agree with his views, but have been like myself, waiting for some one else to do the writing. I agree heartily, and so do all with whom I have talked with, all Mr. Andrews says, and I cannot improve on it. Some "some of our citizens look with disfavor on the inmates of the Old Men's Home and apply very hard names to them. These gentlemen, proud of their own spotless characters, claim that the old men are responsible for the hardships and suffering because of reckless living some of them have lived," etc. In many cases the inmates are old prospectors, who, after spending the best years of their lives out in the wilds, unable to form a home, often contracting rheumatism and other diseases from the hardships endured, and then receiving a mere pittance for their labor, while others, these gentlemen proud of their own spotless characters, step in and reap the benefits. Then they have anything but a home, and are unable to earn their living, are shuffled off to the Old Men's Home to die and the cheaper they can be kept the better.

There are others who for themselves have been too good-natured and generous. Unskilled in the game of grab, they have given the little old men a home, but often have society been likened to the family? And it should be as the family have to have anything but a home, tempt for the family who would not provide (equal to what the rest had) for the helpless member of it, or for the children who, when in possession, would turn the old folks out when they were no longer able to work?

We call ourselves Christians—followers of Christ. Yet He said, "I was naked and ye clothed me not; hungry and ye fed me not; thirsty and ye gave me no drink; naked as we are, ye have not covered the least of these, my brethren, ye do it unto Me." How much are we following Christ?

A. E. CLAYTON.

## "A BLACKGUARDLY, UGLY SCOUNDREL."

Mr. S. Court, of Derby, in "St. Martin's-Le-Grand," tells some amusing stories. Here is one: Date, about 1830. Scene—Postoffice, Brighton. Two or three persons applying for letters at the Post Office. Enter Bagman in a furious rage. Bagman: "Now, sir, look here! Look here! Don't you know you're only a servant of the public?" Postmaster (quietly): "I know it, sir. I know it; and a blackguardly, ugly scoundrel my master is (Exit Bagman, suppressed). Mr. Court says he had this story from his father, Mr. Charles Thomas Court, accountant general, general post-office, and it may well be true.

## DOWN IN DIXIE.

The old colored man was sitting on the fence, tuning up his fiddle, when the tourist from the north came up to him. "Hello," said the tourist, "doesn't the present aristocratic state of the world worry you?"

"What's dat, sah?" asked the old man, turning the well-worn key.

"Why, war, sah! Ah hab a wife en a mule. Dey creates mo' trouble den all de wahs."

"Well, cryones and floods?"

"Huh! Las 'time we had a cyclone a strange bahn blew in mah yahn en nobody hab chub elated at it. Dey flood en dey rushin' down de ribban en landed three chicken coops right at mah do'."

"Well, the beef trust. Don't that worry you?"

"No, sah. Ah liss on bacon en ponee. Nuffin worries me, sah, nuffin tail." And the old man struck up a jig.

## MR. FIELDING AT LONDON.

Montreal Gazette.  
At London Mr. Fielding made a plea for religious instruction in schools on the ground that such instruction is not now given to the child at the mother's knee as of old. Having thus accounted for the need of a sacred duty, Mr. Fielding proceeded to say that the schools provided for in the autonomy bills were 50 per cent. of the national total, being that one-quarter of one per cent. of the schools (the remainder of the limit of the religious instruction the children will receive). If Fielding's estimates were correct, the coming generation of Canadians would not know much about religion. Mr. Fielding talks for momentary effect, however, and not for permanent gain. From what he has said he is reported to have said at London he both misrepresented the mothers and underestimated the extent to which religion will permeate the instruction of the schools.

## JAPANESE ALERTNESS.

London Times, May 10.  
A young Japanese named Yuzuburo Horii writes to us from No. 5 Nishiyama (Su-kill) Kotohira, Tokyo, on April 1, enclosing a Japanese picture postcard: "I thank you most sincerely for your profound sympathy towards our country. First of all, I fear you can't understand my letter, there being much respectfully, much impressed by this my little knowledge of English, because I am a mere boy of eighteen years old, and attending middle school. I am very glad to say that our army has ever gained the battles of Maratona. May and you by return of post fine cards of your country in commemoration of the alliance of the West and East? I will forward you many of our war cards. I would be very much pleased if you would kindly give my address to your paper readers in the different places of England for making exchange your country's view and Japanese on my side."

## "WHO'S MORTON?"

The report of the approaching resignation of Mr. Morton, the secretary of the United States navy, recalls an amusing incident in connection with his entrance into the cabinet. Soon after his appointment there came to an admiral on a foreign station, who had just heard of his change at Washington, a telegram from the navy department communicating certain instructions and signed "Morton." The admiral accordingly sent a reply telegram acknowledging the receipt of his instructions, and adding the innocent query, "Who's Morton?"

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## MEMORIES.

Chicago News.  
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I remember how we lingered when the time had come to part.  
I said I must be going, yet could never make a start.  
How her pink wool "fascinator" amply justified its name!  
No wait! Just at my curtsey to the garden gate she came.  
Then how flew the happy moments as we stood and leaned our weight  
With a gentle swaying motion on the good old garden gate.

I remember how the maples threw a kind, obscuring shade  
When the moon shone all too brightly for an all too timid maid.  
I remember what a feeling—what an ecstasy divine—  
Thrilled me to the toes and fingers when her soft, warm lips met mine.  
And our talk was all in whispers, and we said the Lord knows what—  
Utter nonsense, very likely, quite unmitigated rot.  
But it sounded very pleasant at the time, at any rate.  
When two young things were swinging on the good old garden gate.

There is little faith in woman—and there's not much more in man.  
She was false or I was fickle; I forget how it began.  
I suspect some other fellow with her subsequently swung.  
But that doesn't hurt my feelings, as it did when I was young.  
For I never had her quite lately and I had to notice that  
She was not a dream of beauty, and had grown extremely fat;  
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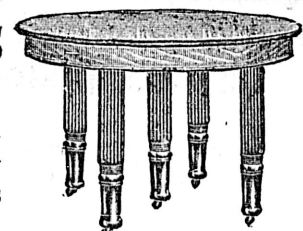
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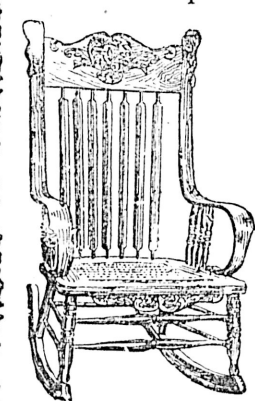


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Victoria	8:00	12:00	Victoria	4:00
Shawigan Lake	10:20	10:46	Shawigan Lake	5:17
Duncans	11:00	10:02	Duncans	5:55
Ladysmith	11:57	9:10	Ladysmith	6:45
Nanaimo	12:40	8:50	Nanaimo	7:37
Ar. Wellington	12:53	8:00	Ar. Wellington	8:50

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## Would Disband High School Cadets

Dr. E. Hall Will Move for Discontinuance of Military Drill at Schools.

Holds Development of Military Spirit Contrary to Highest Educational Standards.

At the meeting of the school trustees to be held tonight the trustees will be called upon to decide the question whether the cadets shall continue their training or the corps be disbanded.

Dr. Ernest Hall, who was recently elected to fill the vacancy created by Dr. Bolton's resignation, has given notice that he will move that the cadets be disbanded. His resolution will be as follows:

"Whereas the expenditure of school funds for the purpose of military drill is not authorized by the Public School Act; and whereas the fostering of militarism with the encouragement and developing of a military spirit during the plastic period of character formation is contrary to the highest educational standards and at variance with the nobler ideas of humanity; "Notice is hereby given that at the next meeting of the Victoria school board I shall move that at the close of the present school term the appropriation for cadet corps instruction be withdrawn, and the corps disbanded."

The cadet corps formed at the High School through the efforts of Chairman Beaumont Boggs and others, has a membership of about fifty cadets. The boys have been drilled energetically and have made a creditable showing on parade. The expenditure, which is appropriated

## STOMACH AND LIVER TROUBLES

Mr. Alex. M. Finn, Inkerman, N. B., writes: "I have used Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills for derangement of the kidneys and liver and stomach troubles, and can certify that they did me a good deal of good. I can heartily recommend them to anyone suffering as I did."

For Poultry Show.—A meeting of the Victoria Poultry and Poultry Society was held in the city hall last evening with a large number of members present. It was decided to have two judges at the show in Vancouver, Nanaimo and Victoria, one judge appointed by Victoria to judge the local show and half of the judges for the other two cities. The show and remaining half of Vancouver. The judge chosen by Victoria was Elmer Dickson, of Oregon City. The meetings of the society are held the second Tuesday of every month and the members have decided to bring a select breed of chickens to every meeting to compare. The Barred Plymouth Rocks will be taken up for comparison at next meeting, and anyone interested is requested to attend.

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## What Nanaimo Miners Earn

Manager Stockett Offers Some Figures to Elucidate the Situation.

Statement of Amounts Paid to Workers by Western Fuel Company.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, June 12.—In view of the reports circulated as to the earnings of the men being reduced by the Western Fuel Company, Mr. Stockett, your correspondent, states that at no time during the last year of the old company's regime, nor since the present company had taken hold in 1903, had the average earnings of the underground men been so high as during the last three months of March, April and May. Since he had heard the report he had gone into the matter, and had the figures to prove his statements. The average earnings per shift and for contract miners No. 1 were as follows: During the whole year of 1903, \$3.51; first five months of 1904, \$3.62; March, 1905, \$3.73; April, 1905, \$3.79; May, 1905, \$3.78. He only took the first five months of 1904 because that year the pithead of No. 1 was burned, and the rest of the year was therefore too much broken to make a fair comparison with other periods.

"Here is a detailed statement of the daily average earnings of the contract miners for the last two months," went on Mr. Stockett, producing it. For April the average daily earnings of contract miners in No. 1 mine was as follows:

Percentage.	
6 miners, over \$6 per shift.....	2.22
4 miners, over \$5.50 to \$6 per shift.....	1.48
12 miners, \$5 to \$5.50 per shift.....	1.44
and.....	8.14
18 miners, \$4.50 to \$5 per shift.....	6.07
22 miners, \$4 to \$4.50 per shift.....	8.15
and.....	22.06
14 miners, \$3.50 to \$4 per shift.....	5.19
16 miners, \$3 to \$3.50 per shift.....	5.03
and.....	34.08
24 miners, \$2.50 to \$3 per shift.....	8.88
34 miners, \$2 to \$2.50 per shift.....	12.60
and.....	55.04
20 miners, \$1.50 to \$2 per shift.....	7.11
22 miners, \$1 to \$1.50 per shift.....	10.25
and.....	82.23
32 miners, \$2.75 to \$3 per shift.....	11.85
10 miners, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per shift.....	3.70
6 miners, under \$2.50 per shift.....	2.22
270.....	100

This shows the average of all contract miners to have been \$3.79.

For May the average earnings of contract miners in No. 1 was as follows:

Percentage.	
14 miners, \$5.50 to \$6 per shift.....	5.28
18 miners, \$5 to \$5.50 per shift.....	6.80
14 miners, \$4.50 to \$5 per shift.....	5.28
22 miners, \$4 to \$4.50 per shift.....	25.66
and.....	2.26
6 miners, \$4.25 to \$4.50 per shift.....	9.05
24 miners, \$4 to \$4.25 per shift.....	36.08
18 miners, \$3.75 to \$4 per shift.....	6.80
30 miners, \$3.50 to \$3.75 per shift.....	55.10
21 miners, \$3.25 to \$3.50 per shift.....	7.12
64 miners, \$3 to \$3.25 per shift.....	87.17
24 miners, \$2.75 to \$3 per shift.....	9.04
8 miners, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per shift.....	3.02
2 miners, under \$2.50 per shift.....	0.75
265.....	100

Average of all contract miners, \$3.75 per shift.

**Increase in Earnings.**

In both these tables for April and May boys working as miners' helpers have been considered as miners in making up the figures. In comparing the tables, Mr. Stockett explained, it would be observed that during April, 1905, 8.14 per cent. of the miners averaged over \$5 per shift, 22.06 per cent. averaged over \$4.50 per shift, 34.08 per cent. averaged over \$4 per shift, 22.06 per cent. averaged over \$3.50 per shift, and 22.21 per cent. averaged over \$3 per shift; while during May, 1905, 12.08 per cent. averaged over \$5 per shift, 25.06 per cent. averaged over \$4.50 per shift, 36.59 per cent. averaged over \$4 per shift, 25.10 per cent. averaged over \$3.50 per shift, and 17.17 per cent. averaged over \$3 per shift, showing a substantial increase in the average earnings all about the line.

There are several reasons for the comparatively few miners earning less than \$3 per shift, said Mr. Stockett, among them short actual working hours at the face, inexperience or indifference of the miner, and sometimes to the condition of the pithead. It is only a fair, however, to say that in every mine employing a number of miners there will always be found a percentage who drag behind the average, and who appear incapable of rising above a certain earning, regardless of the conditions. This is so in all excavations.

Mr. Stockett stated that these average daily earnings compare favorably with any mine in the country, and when one compares them with the earnings of the actual time worked or at the face, they show a greater earning per hour than any mine he knew of; in fact, there were few excavations or callings that showed an equal earning. The short hours for so many years, however, was due to the largely to the natural conditions of the field and the age of the mine. The company did not expect, nor does it expect, the workmen to bear all this hardship, but the company had felt, and the old custom is that while they are giving thousands a free treat, they are displaying their magnificent animals and equipment and consequently getting excellent advertisement. In the Cozad mine show there are over three hundred performing dogs, ponies, monkeys and goats. Each one of these has its part to play and that they successfully accomplish their tricks is best evidenced by the popular approval the Cozad show has met with upon its present tour. The show travels in its special train, and exhibits under its own waterproof tent. Exhibitions will be given.

**EARLY GOLD DISCOVERIES.**

An interesting and instructive discourse delivered at Westminster.

In a lecture delivered at New Westminster on the evening of the 11th inst., gave some interesting and instructive particulars of the early gold discoveries in British Columbia. Commencing with the earliest discovery of the precious metal on the Queen Charlotte Islands in 1822, he led the way through the gold discoveries of the various "finds"—on the Colville reservation, near Rossland, in 1856; on the Thompson River, in 1857; and in the fall of the same year on the Fraser River. The political conditions of the country at that time were described; the Hudson's Bay Company operating under its exclusive trading licence, and there being no government. Then the local head of the big trading company, Douglas, took hold of affairs. The immigration consequent upon the gold discoveries set in strong. The steamer Commodore arrived from California with 450 gold-seekers in April, 1858; a thousand more arrived within a fortnight, and that year it is estimated from 40,000 to 50,000 people arrived. The fitness of the gold found seemed to the miners to be the result of the action of the water, and led them to continue working to the north in search of the gold. The story of the discovery of the rich placers at Quesnel Forks and creeks tributary to the Fraser in 1859 and 1860. In the following year the great Williams Creek and Lathrop Creek diggings were struck, and in the next two years the rush was strong to Cariboo. Instances of the sudden acquisition of great wealth from the diggings were cited, among these being the case where from one

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At this great American feast. Miles apart were these two banquets, Under different sovereigns' reign On some topics they will differ, They are one on Mumm's Champagne.

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nothing seems to remain but to suspend operations completely until conditions are more favorable for resumption.

**Western Federation's Position.**

In an interview with the Nanaimo Herald, Dan Livingston, of the Western Federation of Miners, was asked: "What position does the Federation take with regard to the present trouble?"

"You may say," he replied, "that we are negotiating with the company with a view to settlement. As soon as I arrived here I interviewed Mr. Stockett and Mr. Graham for the purpose of familiarizing myself with the facts of the case up to date, as the present difficulty has become acute since I went away. Nothing was done or even discussed as to terms of settlement, as the company are at present considering further a scheme by which the men may be taken over to Protection shaft both more comfortably and at less expense than was at first anticipated, and when they have completed their enquiries, negotiations for a basis of settlement will be taken up. This is being done, I understand, because the company has decided that they will use Protection shaft for taking the men up and down, irrespective of whether the eight-hour law remains as it is or not."

"Do I understand," asked the reporter, "that the men are to go down Protection shaft under any circumstances?"

"Yes," replied Mr. Livingston. "I understand that the company has so decided. It is better for both sides that it should be so, for the men because they will have a longer time at the face, and the company, because they will get more coal and have No. 1 shaft clear to hoist coal during the whole eight hours, and if at any future time the eight-hour law is modified in accordance with the proposal of the company, the men will be carried to and from Protection shaft free of charge."

"Do you propose to negotiate a settlement without consulting the United Mine Workers?" was the next question.

"We don't recognize the United Mine Workers as a body at all," replied Mr. Livingston. "As far as the men outside the Western Federation of Miners, they will all be given a voice in the settlement. Our plan is to negotiate the best terms possible with the company, and then if the men are not satisfied, we will submit them to the men by ballot. Every person who works underground and is affected by the deal will be given a chance to vote, and we will consider ourselves bound by the vote of the men. Yes," went on the speaker, "negotiations for getting the men to work will be opened in a few days, and I am hoping that a settlement satisfactory to a majority of the men will be reached with very little delay."

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